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WRT 105 Reflection

Writing 105 with Zosha Stuckey has taught me many things both about writing and about disabilities studies. Prior to this class I used the high school format of writing, where you have an intro, conclusion and five or so paragraphs with the real facts. Now I have learned to evolve my thesis statement to produce a flowing essay. This technique that I have learned will help me with my future college writing classes and in the real world. Zosha also taught me how to properly cite book and website in a MLA format. In high school I rarely needed to cite book or websites. This skill will not only help me during my career as a student, but also in my career as an engineer. Zosha also taught me about rhetoric and its importance to writing. The rhetoric paper, which I analyzed a picture about Oscar Pistorius, taught me a lot about how to make my essay flow with transitions. I also helped teach me about how college writing professors grade.

Disability studies are an important topic for all to be at least somewhat aware of. The way some people with disabilities are treated in society is unacceptable. As a future civil engineer I think that it was important that I took this class. It shed new light on how one should design building to accommodate disabled people while not losing the aesthetics of a building (Universal Design). The authors Zosha told us to read were very informative about how people with disabilities are portrayed in modern society.

I would recommend this class to any of my friends. It was an enjoyable class and taught me a lot about writing. I think that this class made me more prepare for college writing. It also taught me an incredible amount about disabilities studies.